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NEWS IN BRIEF.

The jury in the case of Frank Hamilton, charged with killing Leonard R. Day in Minneapolis, Minn., brought in a verdict of manslaughter, with a recommendation for mercy.

John P. Squire & Co., with a capital stock of \$7,500,000, was incorporated in Trenton to do a pork-packing business in Boston and other Eastern points, absorbing about a dozen concerns.

The Italian steamer Jupiter was lost at sea. The captain and engineer are supposed to have perished. The rest of the crew were rescued and landed at Bermuda.

William Annear, a Philadelphia druggist, was arrested on the charge of securing drugs under false pretenses.

The New York legislature passed the Singlehead Police Bill over the governor's signature.

Peter Berryman, colored, was lynched in Mena, Ark., for assaulting a young white girl.

Testimony in New York before the subcommittee on transportation of the Industrial Commission showed that the independent anthracite coal operators have not much show in competition with companies affiliated with the coal-carrying roads.

A subcommittee of the Interstate Commerce Commission began at Buffalo an investigation into the methods by the railroads fixing grain rates.

The police of Omaha have arrested James Calahan, who has been identified by Edward Cudahy, Jr., as one of his kidnappers.

Miss Clara E. Longworth and Count de Chambrun, of South France, were wedded at the bride's home in Cincinnati.

Spring elections were held in Pennsylvania towns. A light vote was polled.

Jacob Conkle was acquitted of murder in Parkersburg, W. Va.

William Hamilton, an Atlanta student, killed Mrs. Wilson, a youthful widow, and then himself in a woods in the suburbs of Atlanta. Before killing himself he set fire to the woods. Their bodies were partly burned.

The subcommittee on transportation of the Industrial Commission, at a meeting in New York, investigated the combination of railroads and coal companies in the anthracite region.

Fred King, colored, was trailed to his home at Dyersburg, Tenn., by bloodhounds, and was lynched. He confessed an assault upon a white woman.

Mrs. Nation has issued an address, in the name of the Home Defenders, to those desiring to aid in the work of suppressing the liquor traffic.

The wooden water reservoir of Abington, Va., exploded and inundated the town. Several men were injured.

Dean Eugene A. Hoffman, of the General Theological Seminary, declared his purpose to give all the money received, in whatever way, to vindicate Rev. John Keller, who was shot and badly wounded by Mr. Barker.

General Attorney Waggener, of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, has advised the company to treat as common burglars the women temperance crusaders who have been breaking into the company's depots in Kansas.

Charles Saul Jacobson, 16 years old, eloped from Williamsburg, N. Y., to Boston with his aunt, Mrs. Mary Meyers, who carried along with her \$300 of her husband's money. Both were arrested.

Isaiah Van Metre, the editor of a weekly newspaper in Waterloo, Ia., claims that Pat Crowe, the alleged kidnaper of young Cudahy, called at his house and confessed to him.

James Hultz, a wealthy farmer, of near Marion, Ind., believes that his daughter Minnie, 18, who recently disappeared, has been kidnaped and is held for ransom.

George Johnstone, the victim of a case of mistaken identity, was released from penitentiary after having served an eight years' sentence for a man who looked like him.

Mayor Van Wyck vetoed the Police Bill, on the ground that it gives the Governor of the State autocratic power over the New York city police.

Dr. William Cowgill, a dentist, of Paducah, Ky., was horsewhipped by Mary Murphy, a servant girl, who charged him with winking at her.

The Morgan-Rockefeller syndicate paid \$14,000,000 for the Fairmont coal field, and is negotiating for the Harrison county field.

An express train was wrecked at Mills City, Nev., the fireman and three passengers killed and six persons injured.

The residences of Dr. Wilbur Hodgins and Mrs. J. W. Hopkins, in Roanoke, Va., were destroyed by fire.

Two little girls held up Mrs. Mary Aischang in New York and robbed her of her pocketbook and packages.

Two Killed by Train.

Harrisburg, Pa. (Special).—Pietro Parrenesi and Baise Tarrora, aged 21 and 25 years respectively, were struck by a Pennsylvania Railroad freight train at Spruce Creek and killed. They were employed on a construction train

SUPPLY TRAIN BLOWN UP.

General Kitchener, British Commander, Makes Narrow Escape.

THE ARRIVAL OF REINFORCEMENTS.

A Train Containing His Baggage Derailed by the Boers at Klip River and His Clothing and Stores Captured—Second Time that He Has Had a Close Call From Falling Into the Clutches of De Wet.

London (By Cable).—A special dispatch from Pretoria says the Boers, at Klip River, February 18, derailed a train containing General Kitchener's baggage. The train was preceded by another, on which the commander-in-chief was a passenger. An armored train drove off the Boers, but the latter secured the contents of the train derailed.

Lord Kitchener's second narrow escape from capture calls out newspaper warnings as to the danger of his rapid flittings by train from place to place. It is considered better for him to remain in Pretoria than to risk upsetting his carefully elaborated plan of campaign.

As Lord Kitchener is now back in Pretoria, the inference is that General De Wet has again escaped from the supposed cordon.

There is no further news of General French's pursuit of Commandant General Botha in the Eastern Transvaal.

Statements emanate from both Pretoria and Brussels that Mr. Kruger contemplates returning to South Africa. It is said that he has just finished writing a memorial on the war, which will be sent to the European governments and to President McKinley.

MARKED STRIDES IN EXPORTS.

American Locomotive Trade Has Increased 450 Per Cent.

London (By Cable).—Sir Christopher Furness, well known as a shipowner and engine builder, said at the annual meeting to-day of Robert Stephenson & Co., that the exports of engines from the United Kingdom were decreasing and the exports from the United States were increasing "at a very marked rate." The company's exports have decreased one-quarter during recent years, American exports of locomotives have expanded 450 per cent.

It was announced that Stephenson & Co.'s works at Newcastle-on-Tyne would be transferred to Darlington, 18 miles south of Durham, in order to secure land for extensions of the works cheaper than is possible at Newcastle.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL BURNED.

Large Institution for Soldiers' Orphans at Scotland, Pa.

Chambersburg Pa. (Special).—A fire, which had its origin in the electric light department of the Scotland Soldiers' Orphans' Industrial School, destroyed the entire building, entailing a loss of at least \$75,000. The fire was as sudden as it was unexpected. Engineer C. E. Mickey observed flames shoot from the rear of the switchboard, and almost instantly the room was in flames. A fierce gale was blowing at the time, and the sparks were carried to the administration building and to the roofs of houses in Scotland, half a mile away. The administration building was saved by the boys' fire brigade of the school. In drawing the fires from under the boilers to prevent explosion, Engineer Mickey was badly burned, but there were no other casualties.

Rathbone's Property Sold.

Hamilton, O. (Special).—George A. Rentschler, of this city, purchased the Reilly and Campbell blocks, which were sold at auction under a decree of the United States Court on foreclosure obtained by W. E. Jones, of New York. The property was part of the estate of Major E. G. Rathbone, formerly director of the posts of Cuba. The Reilly block sold for \$61,300, and the Campbell block for \$59,550. A former sale was set aside by the courts.

Shot During an Initiation.

Kokomo, Ind. (Special).—Milton Haney was accidentally shot by a woman member of the local tribe of Daughters of Pocahontas in an initiation ceremony held at the lodge room. In mistake she used a revolver that had fallen from the pocket of a member, instead of the one filled with blank cartridges provided for the occasion. The bullet struck Haney's shoulder, badly shattering it.

The Cudahy Kidnapping Case.

Omaha, Neb. (Special).—Formal charges of kidnapping and robbery were filed against James Callahan for alleged complicity in the abduction of Edward Cudahy, Jr., son of the millionaire packer, December 18 last. An investigation by Chief Donahue has satisfied him that suspicious connections of a coachman in the Patrick family in the plot were groundless.

TRADE OF THE WEEK.

Business Continues of Good Volume in Nearly All Parts of the Country.

New York (Special).—R. G. Dun's & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: "Business continues of good volume in nearly all parts of the country. Heavy orders come from agents on the road. There is no important change in prices in any department of manufactured goods. The longer the situation remains as at present the surer the business world feels about a rise in prices in the future, for the demand for merchandise for prompt consumption does not decrease."

"At some points there are evidences of an inclination to delay operations on the iron and steel until something definite is known regarding the proposed combination, but this applies only to small undertakings. Purchasers find difficulty in securing even approximate dates for delivery of goods in many products, and mills are so far behind orders as a rule that no new contracts are sought."

"No signs of weakness is apparent in any department of the boot and shoe industry. Some manufacturers have booked orders that will insure running on full time well into May."

"Sales of wool at the three chief eastern markets rose to 6,972,600 pounds, far exceeding all recent records, and showing a gain of 960,600 pounds over the same week last year."

"Wheat was advanced this week by reports of receipts at the mills unfit for grinding. Flour output at Minneapolis is much smaller than a year ago, and a further decrease is expected. Atlantic exports of wheat, including flour, for the week, were 2,478,521 bushels against 1,529,533 last year."

"Failures for the week numbered 257 in the United States against 218 last year, and in Canada 40 against 42 last year."

"Broadstreet's" says:—

"Trade advices are rather more cheerful. This applies as much to current retail business, which has been enlarged by wintry weather, as it does to opening Spring trade, which finds stimulation in general confidence felt as to the outlook for the coming year."

STARVED AND FROZEN TO DEATH.

Boy's Shocking Fate in Mine Breach—Fingers Worn Off Trying to Escape.

Patton, Pa. (Special).—The body of Charles Fetco, the seven-year-old son of John Fetco, who had been missing from his home for four days, has been found in a mine breach near Hastings. The boy is supposed to have wandered from his home and to have accidentally fallen into the hole. The discovery of his almost nude corpse in the big hole, which was seven feet deep, showed that he starved and froze to death after making a most desperate effort to escape. His feet and fingers were worn through in an effort to pull himself out of his awful prison. He had taken off all his clothes but his undershirt and piled them up in an effort to raise himself high enough to catch the edge.

Daughters of the Revolution.

Washington (Special).—The opening session of the Tenth Continental Congress of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution was held at the Grand Opera House here. Mrs. Daniel Manning, the president-general, called the congress to order and introduced the chaplain-general, who read a paper. Mrs. Manning delivered an address of welcome, to which a response was made by Mrs. Sara T. Kinney, state regent of Connecticut. The remainder of the session was occupied with the reading of reports of committees.

Robbers Steal Gold From Mine.

San Francisco, Cal. (Special).—The Examiner says a rich deposit or pocket of gold was discovered recently in a Grass Valley mine. After the superintendent had taken about \$30,000 worth of rich quartz from the mine he boarded up the pocket in which still remained a seam of gold valued at \$15,000 and sent for the directors of the company. When they arrived it was found the mine had been blasted out and the gold carried away. Detectives are searching for the robbers.

Explosion on a Warship.

Washington (Special).—A mail report giving an account of the bursting of a shell in the bore of one of the big thirteen-inch guns of the United States warship Kearsarge has been received at the Navy Department. The accident occurred several weeks ago while the ship was at target practice off Pensacola, Fla. The damage is said to be not serious and consisted mainly in the deforming or "gouging" of the tube. This will not prevent the gun from being used again.

Rear Admiral Sampson Ill.

Boston (Special).—Rear Admiral William T. Sampson, commandant of the Charlestown Navy Yard, is ill at his home at the yard. Captain Charles J. Barclay, captain of the yard, is acting commandant.

BLUFF GAME IN CHINA.

Von Waldersee Expedition Merely a Show of Force.

BERLIN REASSURES WASHINGTON.

Administration Had Sent Instructions to Our Diplomatic Representatives to Protest Against Hostile Operations, Which Had the Effect of Disclosing the Real Significance of the Expedition.

Berlin (By Cable).—It is understood that United States Ambassador White made representations to the foreign office regarding the reported expedition of Count von Waldersee into the interior of China, and that the foreign office gave him reassuring replies.

It is understood that the foreign office told Mr. White that such expeditions were designed chiefly to convince the Chinese government that the powers would not be trifled with.

This view of the case is expressed generally by the German press.

The National Zeitung and other inspired papers assert that Field Marshal Count von Waldersee has no intention of embarking on a large expedition into the interior of China, but they say that the Chinese will find strong forces ready to act if they continue to procrastinate. Von Waldersee's sphere of action, it is pointed out, is limited to the Province of Chi-Li.

London (By Cable).—The American opposition to Count von Waldersee's reported action receives cordial sympathy from the British authorities, though they are inclined to doubt whether the right construction is placed upon his motives. Lord Salisbury has so often put England on record as opposed to aggressive military operations in China that officials here can scarcely conceive that Count von Waldersee would issue orders so utterly at variance with the attitude of Great Britain and the United States.

Washington (Special).—Minister Conger has been instructed by cable to communicate to the foreign ministers at Peking the feeling of the United States government that further hostile expeditions should not be indulged in at this time.

London (By Cable).—Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang, says a Peking despatch, have received a telegram which virtually means that the Chinese will comply with all the demands of the Powers, although they still desire information on a few minor points.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

Some of the Work Being Done By the National Legislature.

The House passed the Sundry Civil Bill and began the consideration of the General Deficiency Bill.

The Senate had under consideration the Postoffice Appropriation Bill.

Senator Gallinger offered an amendment to the Army Appropriation Bill by which post exchanges can take the place of army canteens.

After a lengthy debate, the Senate rejected the report of the conferees on the provision of the Army Reorganization Bill excluding West Point cadets convicted of hazing from holding commissions in the Army. Another committee was appointed.

An effort was made in the Senate to obtain consideration for the bill reviving the grade of vice admiral in the Navy for the benefit of Rear Admirals Sampson and Schley, but it was unavailable.

Senator Depew reported favorably from the Committee on Expositions the House bill for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, at St. Louis.

The House Committee on Railways and Canals acted favorably on the resolution for a commission to inquire into the proposed free canal connecting the Chesapeake and Delaware Bays. Senator McComas introduced a joint resolution bearing on the same subject.

Senator Hale, chairman of the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, introduced a bill for the revival of the grade of vice admiral in the Navy, and authorizing the President to appoint two rear admirals to that office. The bill is in the interest of Admirals Sampson and Schley, and is intended to aid in solving the problem of their promotion, as well as the promotion of other officers who served with them in the Spanish War. Senator Hale introduced a joint resolution of thanks to Admiral Sampson, in accordance with the President's recent recommendation.

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